

Chief Minister receives OWA Grand Prix Award dedicates the honour to people of Sikkim

Legau, September 8, 2017: The Chief Minister, Shri Pawan Chamling was conferred with the Grand Prix Award during the One World Award ceremony here at Legau, in Germany for his pioneering work to transform the federal state of Sikkim into organic state. The award was jointly handed over by Dr. Gerd Muller, the Federal Minister of Bavaria State and Mr. Joseph Wilhelm, German Organic Pioneer and Managing Director of Rupenzel.

During his Acceptance Speech the Chief Minister recounted the journey of organic Sikkim undertaken 14 years ago for ensuring clean air, water and appropriate climate as fundamental human right. The Chief Minister called for larger collaboration and cooperation as working for clean air green environment is not a question of politics. He also called upon the world communities and governments to work together to overcome this universal crisis.

Dr. Vandana Shiva, environmental activist and member of the selection jury while introducing Shri Chamling to the audience explained the reasons for giving the final decision to confer the Gran Prix award (given once in every three years) on Shri Chamling was that he has been the only politician to have obtained the love and support of the people for five consecutive terms with his hard work showed sustainability, position and popularity making Sikkim fully organic unlike other politicians who had limped in the process. She went on to praise the culture and people of Sikkim where nature and humans co-exist with the mother nature.

The Chief Minister was accompanied by Minister, Shri Somnath Poudyal and Secretary, Shri Khorlo Bhutia with other officials.



